

following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
340/640	830,076 dozen.
342/642	144,115 dozen.
351/651	1,243,383 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1997.

The guaranteed access levels for the foregoing categories remain unchanged.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the United Arab Emirates

October 30, 1998.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 6, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roy Unger, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927-5850. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limits for certain categories are being adjusted for swing. A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the

CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 62 FR 66057, published on December 17, 1997). Also see 62 FR 63528, published on December 1, 1997.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

October 30, 1998.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 25, 1997, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in the United Arab Emirates and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1998 and extends through December 31, 1998.

Effective on November 6, 1998, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
335/635/835	195,343 dozen.
338/339	735,224 dozen of which not more than 462,653 dozen shall be in Categories 338-S/339-S ² .
351/651	218,160 dozen.
352	208,582 dozen.
363	7,561,378 numbers.
647/648	426,073 dozen.
847	136,499 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1997.

² Category 338-S: only HTS numbers 6103.22.0050, 6105.10.0010, 6105.10.0030, 6105.90.8010, 6109.10.0027, 6110.20.1025, 6110.20.2040, 6110.20.2065, 6110.90.9068, 6112.11.0030 and 6114.20.0005; Category 339-S: only HTS numbers 6104.22.0060, 6104.29.2049, 6106.10.0010, 6106.10.0030, 6106.90.2510, 6106.90.3010, 6109.10.0070, 6110.20.1030, 6110.20.2045, 6110.20.2075, 6110.90.9070, 6112.11.0040, 6114.20.0010 and 6117.90.9020.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

New York Mercantile Exchange Amendment to Petition for Exemption from the Dual Trading Prohibition in Affected Contract Markets

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of amendment to a petition for exemption from the prohibition on dual trading in an affected contract market.

SUMMARY: New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX" or "Exchange") has submitted to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission") an amendment and update to its October 25, 1993 petition for exemption from the prohibition against dual trading in five contract markets. The Exchange had resubmitted a corrected petition on December 1, 1993. Copies of the entire file, including any future submissions, will be available to the public upon request, except to the extent the Exchange has requested confidential treatment.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the file are available from the Office of the Secretariat, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581. Reference should be made to the NYMEX dual trading exemption petition file.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Duane C. Andresen, Special Counsel, Division of Trading and Markets, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581; telephone: (202) 418-5490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Sections 4j(a)(1) and (3) of the Commodity Exchange Act ("Act") and Commission Regulation 155.5 thereunder, a board of trade may submit a petition to the Commission to exempt any of its affected contract markets (markets with an average daily trading volume equal to or in excess of 8,000 contracts for four consecutive quarters) from the prohibition against dual trading. Regulation 15.5(d)(6) authorizes the Director of the Division of Trading and Markets to publish notice of each exemption petition deemed complete under Regulation 155.5(d) and to make the petition available to the public as required by Section 4j(a)(5) of the Act.

NYMEX originally submitted a petition for a dual trading exemption on October 25, 1993. After the Commission requested additional information, the Exchange submitted a corrected petition on December 1, 1993. That petition was